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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SENATORS GRAVEL AND STEVENS WITH ALASKA TRADE
HISSION, NOVEMBER 6-15.

REF: STATE 234310

1. EMBASSY LOOKS FORWARD TO VISIT OF SENATORS GRAVEL AND
STEVENS AND ALASKA TRADE MISSION. EMBASSY ASSISTING KATSUYAMA
OF ALASKA STATE OFFICE IN TOKYO IN ARRANGING APPROPRIATE
SCHEDULE.

EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER IS E/C OFFICER WILLIAM F.
BEACHNER. TEL. OFFICE: 583-7141, EXT. 7505; HOME: 583-6951,
EXT. 441.

2. KATSUYAMA HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT IT IS HIS UNDERSTANDING
THAT ONE OF PRINCIPAL GOALS OF TRADE MISSION WILL BE TO
ARRANGE FOR ALASKAN OIL SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN. JAPANESE PRESS
HAS REPORTED THAT ASSISTANT FEA ADMINISTRATOR TOLD SENATE
COMMITTEE ON SEPT. 22 THAT FEA STUDYING PLAN FOR
TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT OF JAPANESE IMPORTS OF MIDDLE EAST
CRUDE OIL WITH SUPPLIES FROM ALASKA. IN LIGHT OF THIS
REPORT AND THE RATHER GUARDED STATEMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT
BY BOTH COMMERCE SECRETARY RICHARDSON AND FEA ADMINISTRATOR
ZARB EARLIER THIS YEAR IN TOKYO, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
RECEIVING GUIDANCE ASAP REGARDING USG POLICY AND LEGAL
CONSIDERATIONS RELATED TO POSSIBLE ALASKAN OIL SHIPMENTS
TO JAPAN.

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